

REMARKS

Applicants' respectfully request reexamination and reconsideration of the application in view of the following remarks.

Applicants appreciate the Examiner's allowance of claims 1, 7, 8, 12-15, 17, 19, 25, and 30 and entry of Applicants' terminal disclaimer.

Claims 9 and 20 have been amended to depend from an allowable claim and claims 2-6, 18, 21-24, 26-29, and 31-33 have been canceled.

Applicants acknowledge the Examiner's comments concerning prior art cited in the prior copending parent application not being entered because the Information Disclosure Statement did not list the prior art references in a separate list.

A list of prior art references on USPTO form PTO-1449 which are considered relevant to the examination of the claims is enclosed herewith together with copies of the foreign prior art references cited therein. All of the references were known and considered in Applicant's parent application S.N. 10/032,216 which issued as U.S. Patent 6,619,413 on September 16, 2003.

The Examiner has rejected claims 2-6, 9-11, 16, 20-24, 26-29, 32 and 33 under 35 USC §102(b) as being anticipated by Morse's U.S. Patent 4,077,737 for an "Integral Hole Saw and Arbor Construction".

Applicants respectfully requests that the Examiner withdraw the rejection in view of Applicants' cancellation of the rejected independent claims and amendment of some of the dependent claims to depend from allowed independent claim 7, or dependent claim 9 which depends from claim 7. The rejected claims were canceled in order to expedite prosecution of the remaining allowed claims.

The Examiner has rejected claims 18 and 31 under 35 USC §103) as being unpatentable over Morse et al. in view of Hill (U.S. Patent 2,021,184).

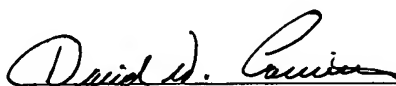
Applicants respectfully requests that the Examiner withdraw the rejection in view of the cancellation of claims 18 and 31 in order to expedite prosecution of the remaining allowed claims.

For all of the foregoing reasons, Applicant submits that the claims are patentable over the cited references and that the application is in condition for allowance. Accordingly, Applicant respectfully requests prompt reconsideration and receipt of the formal Notice of Allowance.

The fees are enclosed herewith. Please charge any underpayment or credit any overpayment to counsel's Deposit Account No. 50-0642.

If the Examiner believes there are other unresolved issues in this case, Applicant's attorney would appreciate a telephone call at (502) 452-1233 to discuss any such remaining issues.

Respectfully submitted,



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